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## **Amendments to the Specification**

Please amend the specification, as follows:

Page 1, line 2, delete the paragraph "DESCRIPTION" in its entirety.

Page 1, line 3, add the following paragraph in the form of a section heading after the title "PAIR OF FRONT AND REAR PNEUMATIC TIRES FOR MOTORCYCLES AND METHOD OF IMPROVING THE PERFORMANCE ON BOTH WET AND DRY GROUND OF A MOTORCYCLE EQUIPPED WITH SAID PAIR" and prior to the paragraph beginning "The present invention relates to a pair of pneumatic tires . . . ."

## CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

Page 1, line 3, add the following new paragraph after the heading "CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS" added above and prior to the paragraph beginning "The present invention relates to a pair of pneumatic tires . . . ."

This application is a national-phase entry under 35 U.S.C. § 371 from International Application No. PCT/EP2003/007261, filed July 4, 2003, in the European Patent Office, the content of which is relied upon and incorporated herein by reference.

Page 1, line 4, replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

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## Background of the invention BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Page 1, line 4, add the following new paragraph in the form of a section subheading after the heading "BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION" amended above and prior to the start of the paragraph beginning "The present invention relates to a pair of pneumatic tires . . . ."

Field of the Invention

Page 1, line 9, replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

Prior art Description of the Related Art

Page 1, line 26, replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

Summary of the invention SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Page 12, line 10, replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph:

Brief description of the drawings BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Page 12, line 20, replace the paragraph with the following amended paragraph: